

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

NISHIO et al.

Attorney Docket No: 108287-08002

Application No. 09/037,916

Art Unit: 3621

Filed: March 10, 1998

Examiner: F. Backer

For:

ELECTRONIC PURSE SYSTEM HAVING A DOUBLE-STRUCTURED

PURSE, IC CARD APPLICABLE TO THE ELECTRONIC PURSE SYSTEM,

IC CARD TRANSACTION APPARATUS HAVING A DOUBLE-

STRUCTURED PURSE, IC CARD TRANSACTION SYSTEM HAVING A DOUBLE-STRUCTURED PURSE, AND IC CARD APPLICABLE TO THE IC

CARD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for three months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 18, 2002 from February 18, 2003 to May 18, 2003.

Included in the attached check is the amount of Nine Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$930.00) to cover the fee for discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to Attorney Docket number 108287-08002.

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